Development of Tourism in Haryana

† 929. SHRI AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any scheme or programme for the development of tourism;

(b) if so, the sites which would be developed for tourism in Haryana;

(c) the details of cost which would be incurred on this and by when it is likely to be completed; and

(d) the details of the number of foreign tourists who would be attracted to these tourist places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends Central financial assistance to the State Governments/ Union Territories for development of tourism on the basis of the proposals received from them, subject to availability of funds and *inter-se* priorities. These projects are sanctioned under the following schemes:—

1. Products/Infrastructure and Destination Development including Rural Tourism
2. Integrated Development of Travel Circuits
3. Assistance for Large Revenue Generating Projects.

Projects sanctioned during the Tenth Plan in respect of State of Haryana are given in the Statement (See below).

(d) No such target is fixed for arrival of foreign tourists at these places.

Statement

List of projects sanctioned in Haryana during Tenth Five Year Plan

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Amount Sanctioned
1	2	3
1.	2002-03 Providing lighting arrangement at Brahm Sarovar	70.26

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3
2.	Renovation of Jyotisar	40.98
3.	Development of Tapovan Park (Ph.II)	70.27
4.	Painting Competition	0.50
5.	Mahabharta Festival	1.40
6.	Civil Works	95.24
7.	Integrated Development of Surajkund	25.00
8.	Surajkund Craft Mela	25.00
9.	Mango Mela at Pinjor	2.90
	2003-04	
1.	Renovation/Strengthening of tourist infrastructure at Kurukshetra and Pipli	108.25
2.	Providing sheet roofing over viewers Gallery at Jyotisar, Kurukshetra	2.68
3.	Surajkund Craft Mela	15.00
4.	Installation of Mahabharat Rath at Jyotisar, Kurukshetra	210.00
5.	Integrated Development of Tourism Circuit from Adi Badri (Haryana) to Dholavira (Gujarat)	796.00
6.	Development of Udgam Sthal of river Saraswati, Adi Badri (Distt. Yamuna Nagar)	178.79
7.	Gita Jayanti Samaroh	5.00
8.	Construction of Cafetaria and development of an environment park, public toilets, joy rides and creation of mini lake near Ottu Barrage	147.69
9.	Development of Morni and Tikkar Taal area in Distt. Panchkula	170.76
10.	Development of Kurukshetra as a Tourist Destination— Development of Tapovan Park	125.84

1	2	3
11.	Development of Jyotisar Village (Distt. Kurukshetra) under Rural Tourism Scheme	50.00
12.	Construction of Convention Centre at Surajkund (Distt. Faridabad)	108.00
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1.	Construction of Multipurpose Hall at Kingfisher Tourist Complex at Ambala	27.44
2.	Integrated Development of Surajkund as a Tourist Destination	81.37
3.	Landscaping/Beautification and Development of Badkhal Lake, Faridabad	146.05
4.	Preservation and restoration of old monuments at Yadvindra Gardens, Pinjore	403.69
5.	19th Surajkund Craft Mela, 2005	15.00
6.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project of Village Jyotisar in Kurukshetra Distt.	20.00

Development of Buddhist sites in Orissa

930. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that with an estimated seven million Buddhists dotting the South Asian countries, Orissa has a good potential for Buddhist Tourism;

(b) whether it is a fact that due to lack of infrastructure development around Buddhist centres, the State cannot exploit its potential; and

(c) if so, what is the action plan of the Centre to help the cash-strapped Orissa to develop Buddhist sites to improve its economy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.